ORDINANCE 2-2015 HUNTINGTON CITY

AN ORDINANCE TO PROMOTE WATER USE EFFICIENCY WITHIN HUNTINGTON CITY

WHEREAS, Huntington City desires to promote efficient sprinkler irrigation practices for all lawns and landscapes; and

WHEREAS, research has shown that irrigating landscapes only during hours of 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. significantly increases irrigation efficiency; and

WHEREAS, conservation of water through more efficient use is in the public interest and enhances the community's economic, environmental, recreational and aesthetic resources; and

WHEREAS, Huntington City has the authority to adopt this ordinance pursuant to Utah Code Annotated 10-3-702, and hereby exercises its legislative powers in doing so;

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City council of Huntington City, State of Utah, that:

All users of water service shall be required to keep their sprinklers, faucets, valves, hoses and all apparatus connected to the water system in good condition at their own expense and all waterways closed when not in use. Watering with an open hose and allowing sprinklers to spray so that water is running down the curb or a neighboring property is prohibited.

Sprinkler irrigation of all lawns and landscapes is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to all landscapes within the city. This ordinance does not apply in the following situations:

- a. New lawns that require frequent irrigation for establishment purposes within 90 days of planting.
- b. Short cycles required for testing, inspecting and maintaining irrigation systems.
- c. Other situations as permitted by the city.

Penalty for noncompliance: A maximum of 3 warnings can be issued to the wasteful user at which time the City Council may consider discontinuing the water service. If the City Council elects to consider the matter of discontinuance, it shall give notice to the water user of the intention to discontinue his or her water service. The notice shall inform the user of the time and place of the meeting and of the charges that led to the consideration of discontinuance. Said water user shall have opportunity to appear with or without legal counsel and present his or her reasons why the water service should not be discontinued. Upon hearing, the City Council shall notify said user in writing of its determination and if the determination is to discontinue the user's water service, it shall notify said user of the period during which the service will remain discontinued.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall become effective immediately upon